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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:) Group Art Unit: 1712
Takayoshi Otomo)
Serial Number: 10/682,445) Examiner: Robertson
Filed: October 9, 2003)
Title: MOULDABLE SILICONE) Response Under Rule
GEL COMPOSITIONS) 37 CFR §1.111
Attorney Docket: TSL - 1714CIPUS) October 18, 2005

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Applicant requests a one-month extension of time to respond to the office action. Authorization is granted to the Commissioner to charge the fee of \$120.00 for the extension to Deposit Charge Account 13-2492. The applicant is a large entity.

Applicant has amended the first page of the specification to include a reference to the parent application and a substitute page 1 is enclosed.

Applicant has voluntarily amended claims 1, 3, 4, 5, 7, and 8. One amendment is to remove the word "mouldable" from the claims and substitute therefore the phrase — mould releasable --. Support for this amendment can be found at page 1, lines 13 to 16. The second amendment can be found in claim 1, wherein the applicant has added component E (formerly Claim 2) to the composition. The applicant has enclosed a Status of Claims consisting of three pages and eight claims.

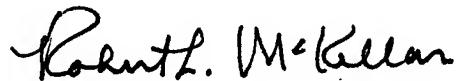
Turning now to the rejection of the claims, the Examiner has rejected claims 1 and 3 to 5 under 35 USC §102(b) as being anticipated by Kilgour et al, U.S. Patent No. 5,760,116.

The applicant believes that Kilgour does not teach a composition containing the component (E) and therefore, the claims are not anticipated by Kilgour.

Turning now to the rejection of the claims 1 to 8 under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Nakamura et al in view of Ota et al, the applicant would point out to the Examiner that Nakamura fails to teach that mould releasability is improved by the addition of component (E) as in the present invention. Further, Ota fails to teach a silicone gel composition such as the composition of the present invention and thus would not be readily combinable with Nakamura.

The applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner withdraw the rejections and allow the claims to issue.

Respectfully submitted,



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